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**Amendment to the Specification:**

**AMEND** the paragraph beginning on page 10, line 19 of the specification to read as follows:

According to result of this comparison, if the level of sum signal SUM2 is lower than the predetermined threshold, DSP 40 activates defect detection signal /DEFECT to L level in step S53. On the other hand, during the period in which the level of sum signal SUM2 is higher than the predetermined threshold, DSP 40 maintains ~~deteet~~ defect detection signal /DEFECT in the inactive state of H level.